



NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Joe W. Stecher and the Lincoln Police Department and Lancaster County Sheriff's Office announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

On July 1, 2009, David L. Walters was sentenced to 12 years and seven months in prison for conspiring to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine in Eastern Nebraska. The sentence was pronounced by the Honorable Warren K. Urbom, United States Senior District Judge.

On July 14, 2008, Walters was found in possession of a small amount of methamphetamine and scales after his vehicle was stopped by Lincoln Police Officers. Following his arrest, an investigation lead to the discovery of a number of individuals who were involved with Walters in buying and selling methamphetamine.

Name of Defendant: David Lee Walters

AKA:

Age: 56

City of residence: Lincoln

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty (A CHARGE is merely an accusation and every defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty):

Conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine

5 to 40 years in prison and a fine up to \$4,000,000, at least four years supervised release

Specific Location of Alleged Crime:

Location of Arrest:

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: over 505 grams but less than 1.5 kilograms of methamphetamine

Others Charged in Same Scheme:

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: August 1, 2007 through July 14, 2008

Federal Arrest Date: July 17, 2008

Date Complaint Issued:

Indictment Returned Date: July 16, 2008

Initial Appearance Date: July 18, 2008

Plea or Trial and Date(s): pled January 7, 2009

Sentencing Date: July 1, 2009

Next Court Hearing Type and Date:

Assigned Magistrate Judge: David L. Piester

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: held

In Continuous Custody Since: July 14, 2008

Assigned District Court Judge: Warren K. Urbom

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